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Ms. Tonya Bonitatibus, Executive Director Savannah Riverkeeper 328 Riverfront Dr. Augusta, Georgia 30901

Dear Ms. Bonitatibus:

This is in reference to Section 1002 of the 2014 Water Resources Reform and Development Act (WRRDA) that allows for greater transparency in the notification and reporting of feasibility study milestones. This section requires the District Engineer to provide non-Federal interests notification of the key feasibility study milestone schedule dates for all active studies. The schedule below was developed based upon the best information available to the team at this point in time.

Section 1002 also requires that within thirty (30) days of failing to meet any of these milestones, you will be notified of the reasons behind the missed milestone along with a revised schedule for completion of the study. If for any reason these milestones change in the near future as we further define the scope, you will be notified in writing and we will copy our Major Subordinate Command (MSC) in Atlanta.

This certified letter provides the current study schedule for these key milestones for the Savannah River Below Augusta Ecosystem Restoration Study:

[CW262] Tentatively Selected Plan:	01 Oct 2021
[CW250] Release of Draft Report for Public Comment:	01 Dec 2021
[CW263] Agency Decision Milestone:	01 Jun 2022
[CW160] District Submits Final Report to MSC:	03 Jan 2023
[CW260] MSC Transmittal of Final Report:	01 Mar 2023
[CW270] Signed Chief of Engineers Report:	29 Sep 2023

Schedules are based on the assumption of full funding being available. These schedules, along with any deviations, will be submitted annually to Congress in a Report from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers submitted through the Assistant Secretary of the Army for Civil Works.

We look forward to our continued partnership. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the Project Manager, Mr. Jeff Schwindaman at 912-547-0896 or by email at Jeffrey.P.Schwindaman@usace.army.mil.

Sincerely,

Joseph R. Geary, PhD, PE Colonel, U.S. Army

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